## BALTIMORE CITY - COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR: 12

SURVEY NO.: B-3951

AREA: Coldstream-Homestead-Montebello

MAGI NO.: 0439515704

ADDRESS: 2650 Robb Street

CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK: 4/20 LOT: 47

HEIGHT: 2

CONDITION: Fair

USE: Vacant dwelling

DESIGNATION:

LOT SIZE:

MATERIALS: Formstone over brick

OWNER: ADDRESS:

ACCESSIBLE: Yes, restricted

LIBER/FOLIO:



HISTORIC NAME: DATE: Ca. 1910 ARCHITECT/BUILDER: STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):

DESCRIPTION:

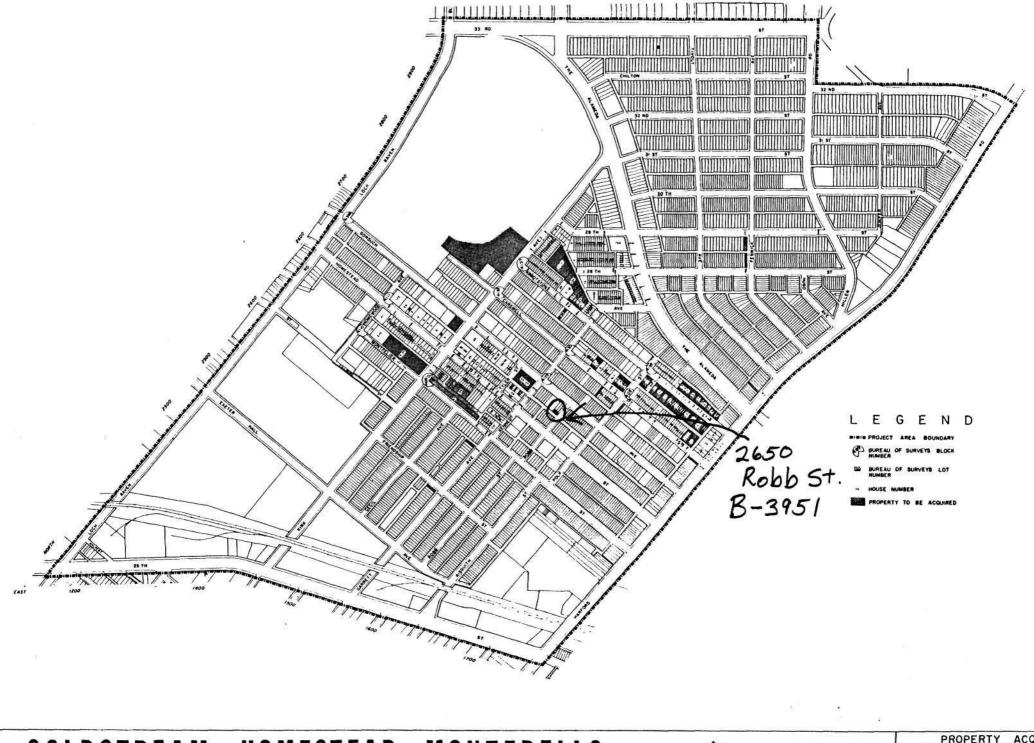
The house is a rectangular two-story brick structure with a formstone-covered exterior built about 1910 on the northwest side of Robb Street between Gorsuch Avenue and Homestead Street in northeast Baltimore, Maryland. The two-bay main elevation faces southeast toward Robb Street. The lot on which the house is located is apparently the original rear portion of the lot numbered 1621 Gorsuch Avenue. All openings are rectangular on the main elevation and are boarded except one upper story window. Formstone covered concrete steps and a plain iron handrail rise to the main entrance. The roofline has a plain parapet which shows a slight profile, indicating a possible corbeled brick cornice under the formstone. The southwest elevation faces an unnamed alley and is distinguished by a cantilevered frame porch at the second story. The lower part of the porch is covered with deteriorated artificial shingle siding. The roof supports are plain square posts. Three irregularly spaced rectangular window openings are located on the first story. The northeast elevation is brick with various sections covered by sheet metal.

SIGNIFICANCE:

AREA: Architecture LEVEL: Local

The house at 2650 Robb Street is a contributing building in an undefined expansion of the Coldstream-Homestead-Montebello district which was previously determined eligible for the National Register. The expansion of the eligible district includes early 20th century rowhouse developments which engulfed the scattered houses and semi-detached houses of the mid to late 10th century. The boundary of the eligible district is one block to the northwest at Kennedy Avenue. The 1600 block of Gorsuch Avenue between Kennedy and Robb Streets is primarily rowhouses dating from the first two decades of the 20th century. It also includes a frame church at 1613-15 Gorsuch Avenue which dates from the late 19th century. In 1896, the site of the Robb Street house was occupied by a frame outbuilding, possibly a stable for the duplex houses occupying the present site of 1617-1619 Gorsuch Avenue. By 1914, the Robb Street house had replaced the frame outbuilding and the present rowhouses at 1617-1619-1621 Gorsuch Avenue had been constructed. The house is the only one in the block sited to face Robb Street and is separated by at least two blocks from the rest of the 2600 series of Robb Street, south of Montpelier Street.

SOURCES: Bromley's Atlas (1896); Topo Survey Comm. Map (1914) SURVEYOR AND DATE: Janet L. Davis, CHAP, December 1986



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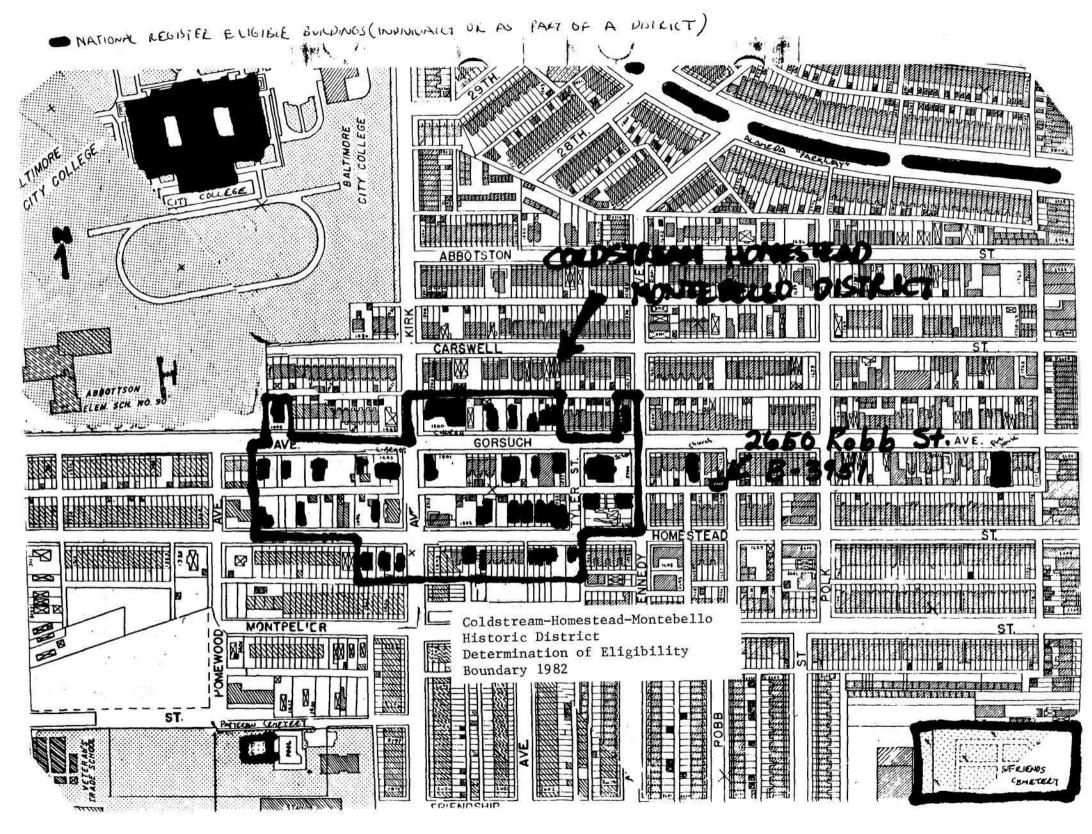
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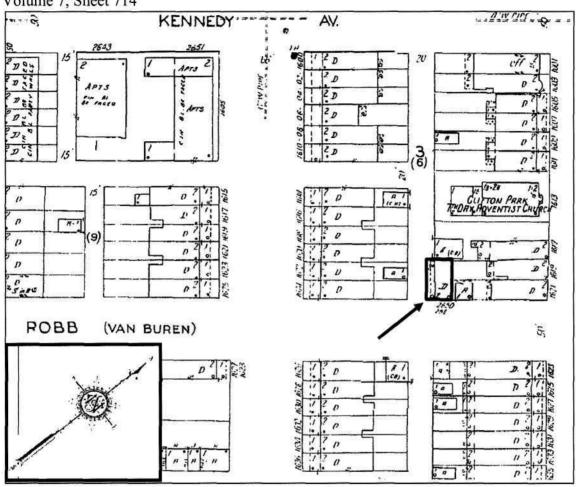
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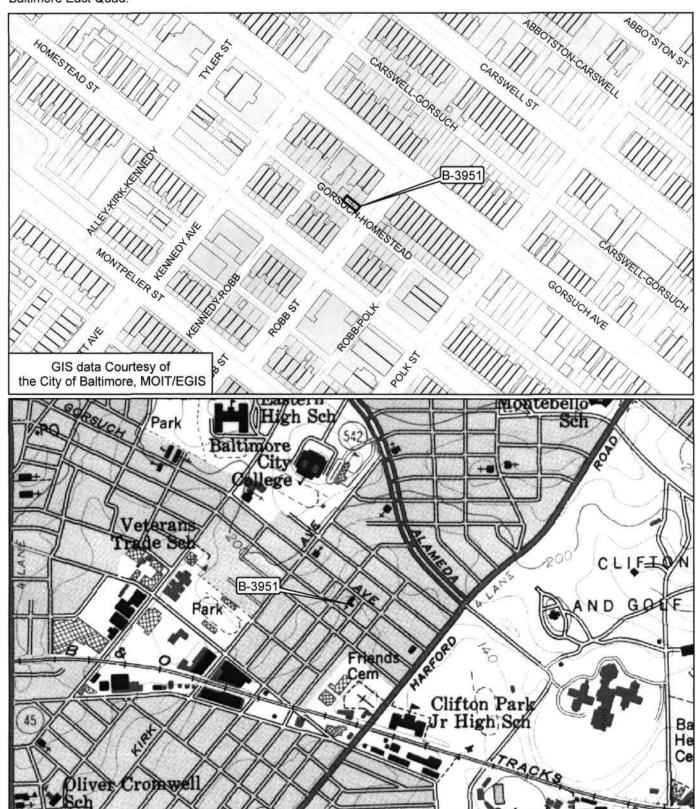
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Southeast elevation